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CLAIMS

- Ins* 1. A connecting device suitable for attaching a pipe to a surface comprising a first part fixable to the surface and a second part slidably attachable to the first part in the direction of the pipe to a limited extent and forming an at least partial enclosure for the pipe, the first and second parts having co-operating formations enabling the attachment of the second part to the first part to be selectably adjustable, whereby spacing of the pipe from the surface is adjustable.
2. A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first part is U-shaped providing a base, which is arranged to be fixed to the surface, and arms extending from the base.
3. A device as claimed in claims 1 or 2 wherein the second part is U-shaped having a base and an arm extending from each end of the base.
4. A device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the arms of the first and second parts are selectively interengageable.
5. A device as claimed in claim 4, wherein inner faces of the arm of one part have a series of spaced teeth which are selectively engageable between corresponding teeth on outer faces of the arms of the other part.
6. A device as claimed in claim 5, wherein the teeth of the outer faces of the arms of the other part are within channels in the arms.
7. A device as claimed in claim 5 or 6, wherein the respective series of teeth are arranged so that the two parts of the device are only engageable to a limited extent, whereby one part is prevented from slipping past the other part.

8. A device as claimed in claim 7, wherein abutments are provided on each arm for the teeth of an arm of the other part.
9. A device as claimed in claim 8, wherein the abutments are provided by base strips from which the teeth of each arm extend.
10. A device as claimed in claim 7, wherein the respective series of teeth are shaped to limit their extent of movement together.
11. A device as claimed in claim 10, wherein the teeth are triangular in plan.
12. A device as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the second part has inwards returns at the ends of its arms.